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For: METHOD FOR MANAGING PRODUCT INFORMATION AND METHOD FOR
REQUESTING REPAIRSPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination, and is in response to the Action mailed June 22, 2006, having response due date of September 22, 2006. A petition for a one-month extension of time is concurrently filed herewith, thereby extending the response due date to October 22, 2006.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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